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Now that's funny!

A perfect parent is a person with excellent child-rearing theories and no actual children.

- DAVE BARRY



TAHOKA MUNICIPAL BAND 1928 - Tahoka Museum

Did you know?

• The Atacama Desert is the driest non-polar region on Earth. Some weather stations in the Atacama have never received rain.

FOOTBALL TIME!

LAST WEEK'S SCOREBOARD:

Tahoka OPEN
Cotton Center 53-6 Wilson
Ralls 46-6 New Home
O'Donnell OPEN

OCT 8 GAMES:

Floydada at Tahoka
Wilson (open date)
New Home @ Ropes
Whiteface @ O'Donnell

COVID-19 UPDATE

COVID-19 Update Lynn County Oct. 1, 2021:

19 New cases confirmed
24 Active, 766 Recovered, 26 Deaths
Lynn County total cases: 816
The South Plains Health District recently updated their records from when the Pandemic began in 2020 to current.

Two minor traffic accidents occur in county during week

by JUANELL JONES

Two minor traffic accidents were reported in the county during the past week, according to information from law enforcement call sheets.

A caller driving southbound on US 87 at 6:26 p.m. Sept. 30 notified Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) that his vehicle had been struck by a blue Honda Senata in Lubbock on 114th and US 87 and that he had been following the vehicle in his tan Ford Escape. A deputy located both vehicles about 7 miles south of Tahoka, and DPS was notified to work the accident.

A car parked in a driveway in the 100 block of Smith Avenue in New Home was reportedly struck by a car that had gone off the road, according to a caller at 8:22 a.m. Oct. 1. No injuries were reported, and DPS was notified to work the scene.

At 9:38 a.m. Oct. 4, a caller to LCSO told officers that a silver car occupied by two people would not let them pass, about a mile north of O'Donnell on US 87. A deputy located the vehicle south of the US

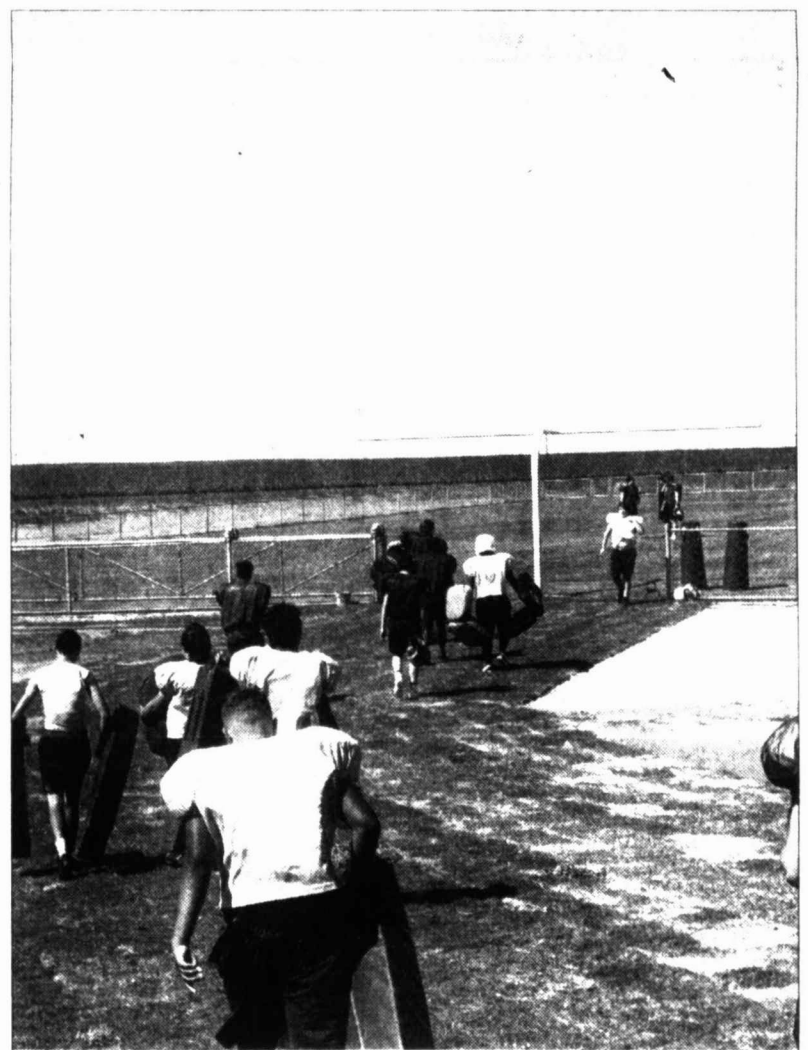
380 turnoff. A male from the vehicle was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana, and a female and the vehicle were released from the scene.

A possible theft was reported at 5 p.m. Oct. 3, with a caller reporting some items missing from a golf cart house at T-Bar Golf Course.

LCSO was notified by New Home ISD staff of a disturbance at the school on Sept. 27, due to a parent being "upset" regarding a child, but deputies responding to the scene reported that everything was okay.

Other calls during the week were for assisting motorists, a report of a brush fire near Wilson, an animal welfare concern, and suspicious vehicles.

Lynn County Jail held 32 inmates, including 29 for Lynn County, and one each for Cochran, Dawson and Floyd counties. Lynn County is also currently housing 4 inmates out of the county, with two females in Terry County, and two females in Scurry County (due to limited space for housing female inmates in Lynn County).



New grounds ... Tahoka Football players are practicing at the new facilities on North 5th St.

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Sept 28	90	60	
Sept 29	90	57	
Sept 30	74	59	.10
Oct 1	74	55	.37
Oct 2	79	53	
Oct 3	81	52	
Oct 4	86	54	Trace

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 6 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24 hr period)

Total Precip for Feb:	0.15"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.10"
Total Precip for Apr:	0.51"
Total Precip for May:	6.75"
Total Precip for Jun:	2.39"
Total Precip for July:	3.73"
Total Precip for Aug:	2.93"
Total Precip for Sep:	0.53"
Total Precip for Oct:	0.37"
Total Precip. for 2021:	18.69"



Health Fair ... Lynn County Healthcare System put together a Health Fair at O'Donnell Schools on Tuesday, Lynn County Truancy Officer Brent Meyer explains his duties to students.

(Photo submitted by LCH)



WORDS OF INSPIRATION!

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“Love and kindness are never wasted. They always make a difference. They bless the one who receives them, and they bless you, the giver.” —Barbara De Angelis

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Did you know?

- The Amazon Forest is the largest natural rainforest in the world. At 2.7 million square miles, it covers 40% of South America.
- China owns nearly all of the pandas in the world, even the ones you see at zoos. They rent them out for about \$1 million a year.
- There are more than 7,000 different Caribbean islands, but only about 2% of them are inhabited.
- The unique smell of rain actually comes from plant oils, bacteria, and ozone.

Be Kind Thankful



Heat winners ... Lynn County 4-H sponsored the Turtle Races at the Lynn County Harvest Festival held on September 25 in Tahoka. Pictured are the heat winners, (not in order) Blue Heat winner was Scarlet Hall, Green Heat, Sadie Henderson, Orange Heat, Caden Gillelan, Red Heat, Zoe Gonzales, Yellow Heat, Jynli Woodley, Pink Heatm Ryker Gwin, and Purple Heat Weston Woodley.



Overall turtle winners ... The Lynn County 4-H sponsored the annual turtle races at the Lynn County Harvest Festival that was held Sept. 25. Overall winners pictured from left are 3rd - Jynli Woodley, 2nd - Weston Woodley and 1st - Caden Gillelan.

Senior Citizens Menu

- October 11-15**
Monday: Closed for Columbus Day
Tuesday: Homestyle lasagna, garlic bread, brussels sprouts, pears
Wednesday: Beef enchiladas, borracha beans, Spanish rice, coleslaw, cornbread, apricots
Thursday: Oven fried chicken breasts, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail
Friday: BBQ Beef, smothered potatoes, pinto beans, apricots

City sets Town Hall meeting for street bond election info

by JUANELL JONES
The City of Tahoka will hold a Town Hall meeting at City Hall on Monday, October 18, at 6:00 p.m., and citizens are encouraged to attend to hear information about the street bond election, which will be on the Nov. 2 ballot for City of Tahoka residents.

"The purpose of the meeting is to allow residents to ask questions of the Engineer, the City Manager, and the Bond Counsel about the project," said City Administrator Julie Arrington. "Some of the anticipated questions will be how the streets were selected, the impact to their property taxes, and any specific questions they may have that relates to the scope of work of the project."

A regular council meeting will be held at 7 p.m., following the Town Hall session. The Council may attend the town hall meeting but is not required.

Tahoka City Council called for a special election on Nov. 2 for voters to consider a \$4.5-million street bond project here in a General Obligation Bonds referendum.

Originally proposed as an \$8.1-million street project, which included paving of all

unpaved streets and repaving of all other streets, the scope of the project was reduced to paving streets that are not currently paved, address pot holes and drainage issues in problem areas, and to repair currently paved streets that are in need of repair.

A tax increase of 25-cents per \$100 of property value is estimated for paying back the bonded indebtedness, if voters approve the bond election.

In addition, the council is considering an additional \$2,055,000 to help with the street improvement project, that would be paid for with Revenue Bonds, which would be paid for with a \$10 increase in water fees per month.

"A \$10 per month increase in water fees would generate approximately \$130,000 annually which would be used to pay the revenue bonds," Mayor John Baker had told The News in earlier conversations, explaining that the city has 1300+ water meters in residential/commercial use.

Together, the street improvement package would come in at a total cost of \$6,580,000.

Area News

from area newspapers

St. Joseph's annual Sausage Festival set for Oct. 16

SLATON - St. Joseph Catholic Church will have its annual Sausage Festival Oct. 16 at its Parish Hall, 21st and Division streets.

Bulk sales of sausage are from 9-11 a.m. featuring regular, jalapeno, and habanero flavors. The sausage will be cured and vacuum sealed, and is sold by the package.

Music and festivities will be from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Jordan Robert Kirk is the featured performer.

Music will be provided by Texas 114, Mike Joiner Band, Shane Rogers, Casey Heckman and Phillip Wise.

Food and drinks, including adult beverages, will be sold by the Knights of Columbus. There is no cover charge.

All forms of payment will be accepted.

- from the Slatonite

AREA NEWS... from area newspapers

Cotton Fest, homecoming scheduled at O'Donnell

O'DONNELL - The annual Cotton Fest in downtown O'Donnell will cap off three days of O'Donnell High School homecoming activities this week which include a parade, a dance, and the return of former classmates.

The fun begins at dusk Thursday, Oct. 7, with a bonfire in the maintenance parking lot. A pep rally will start at 3:00 p.m. the following day in the high school gym.

Ex-students can tour the high school from 3:30 - 4:00 p.m., Friday, Oct. 8.

Members of the graduating classes of 1970-71 and 1995-96 will be honored during the Homecoming Banquet at the elementary school at 6 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 9. River Smith's of Lubbock will cater the meal. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$15.

The O'Donnell Eagles will host Whiteface in the homecoming football game that evening.

The Cotton Fest starts at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 9 with a parade and vendors in the city's downtown.

A dance begins around 8 p.m. and continues until midnight. Vendors can purchase a 10-by-10 foot space for \$30. All spaces with electricity are taken.

For more information, contact Stephanie Moore at 806-891-5284 or email her at red14333@gmail.com.

- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

CDC recommends COVID-19 Pfizer boosters for the following:

- 65 years and older **SHOULD** receive vaccine
- residents in long term care **SHOULD** receive vaccine
- 50-64 with underlying medical conditions (listed on CDC website) **SHOULD** receive vaccine
- 18-49 with underlying medical conditions (listed on CDC website) **MAY** receive vaccine
- 18-64 who are at increased risk of exposure due to occupational exposure (teachers, front-line healthcare workers) **MAY** receive vaccine.

The recommendation is for 6 months **AFTER** last vaccination.

Call the Covid Hotline at 806-561-2076

to schedule a time to get your 1st Moderna Covid vaccine or for more information regarding Covid.



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LEGAL NOTICES

Pre-Planning Public Input Meeting
Development of the 2026 Regional Water Plan – Region O

Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group (LERWPG) is seeing public input and comments regarding issues that should be addressed or provisions that should be included in the 2026 Regional Water Plan and 2027 State Water Plan. Public comment may be made during the next LERWPG meeting held **November 17, 2021 at 10 a.m.** at South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG). Comments may be submitted in person at the meeting, via teleconference or in writing prior to the meeting at the following:

SPAG
1323 58th Street
Lubbock, TX 79412
kdavila@spag.org.

If you have questions or for more information, please contact Kelly Davila at (806) 762-8721. 40-1tc

LYNN COUNTY NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (ADVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the registered voters of the County of Lynn, Texas (A los votantes registrados del Condado de Lynn, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 2, 2021, for voting in a special election to Constitutional Amendment.

(Notifíquese, por la presente, que las Casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. el 2 noviembre de 2021 para votar en la Elección Especial para Enmiendas a la constitución)

On Election Day, voters must vote in their precinct where registered to vote. (El Día de Elección, los votantes deberán votar en su precinto donde están inscritos para votar.)

Location of Election Day Polling Places
Precinct Number(s)
(Ubicación de las Casillas electorales el Día de Elección)
(Número de precinto)

Life Enrichment Center Tahoka 1/5, 6, 7, 9, 12, and 14
City Hall (Green Building), 1601 10th Street, Wilson, Texas 79381 2/8
O'Donnell Community Center, 103 Nassau Road, O'Donnell, Texas 79351 3/10
New Home Community Center, 109 W Broadway, New Home, Texas 79381 4/11/13

For early voting, a voter may vote at any of the locations listed below: (Para Votación Adelantada, los votantes podrán votar en cualquiera de las ubicaciones nombradas abajo.)

Location for Early Voting Polling Places Days of Operation
County Clerk's Office (1st Floor) October 18 – October 29
1501 South 1st Street

Early Voting hours:
10/18/21 – 7:00 AM – 7:00 pm
10/19/21 – 10/22/21 – 8:30 am – 12:00 pm – 1pm – 5pm
10/25/21 – 10/28/21 – 8:30 am – 12:00 pm – 1pm – 5pm
10/29/21 – 7:00 AM – 7:00 pm

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Karen Strickland, Lynn County Clerk
P.O. Box 937
Tahoka, Texas 79373

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)
October 22, 2021.

Issued this the 27th day of September 2021. (Emitida este día 27 de Septiembre, 2021.)

/s/ Judge Mike Braddock,
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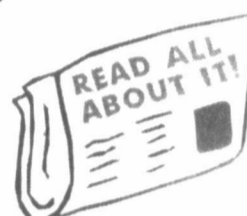
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